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Northwest Tops Quota

History In The Making



John A. Volpe of Winchester, Mass., national chairman of the Order's National Memorial Home fund drive, is shown in victory pose with Mrs. Volpe following his endorsement as the candidate of the Bay State Republican Party for the office of Governor of Massachusetts. Brother Volpe is the first person of Italian origin and the first Roman Catholic to receive the candidacy. He became the GOP nominee on the first ballot at the Republican State Pre-Primary convention held in Worcester.



Massachusetts Governor Foster Furcolo pictured with his wife following his endorsement by the Massachusetts Democratic Convention for the nomination for United States Senator. Governor Furcolo is the first man of Italian origin to be elected to the Governorship of Massachusetts and if successful in his bid for the Senate will be the first of Italian descent to serve as a United States Senator from Massachusetts. The Governor, a native of Springfield, Mass., is an honorary member of the Order.

Becomes First Grand Lodge to Go "Over Top"

The Northwest Grand Lodge is the first Grand Lodge to go "over the top" in the nation-wide campaign for funds for the proposed National Memorial Home to be erected in Washington, D. C.

Dr. Nicholas Sarro of Seattle, Supreme Trustee and state chairman, reports that members and non-members in the three state area, Washington, Oregon and Idaho, have contributed \$3,501.50 to surpass the \$3,500 quota.

The distinction of placing the Grand Lodge "over the top" went to John Grossi of the Seattle Lodge, with his purchase of a \$5 paper Marble Block.

Dr. Sarro, who has sparked the drive since its inception, has outstanding praise for the cooperation he received from the women members of The Northwest Order.

The outstanding campaigner in the women's division was Mrs. Madelaine DiFabio, venerable of the City of Roses Lodge No. 1623 of Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. DiFabio and her five-member committee sought out member and non-member alike in their quest for funds, spoke at a number of functions, and collected \$936.

Dr. Sarro reports that Mrs. DiFabio, who has a full-time position and keeps house for her family, "is aiming for \$1,000."

"While The Northwest Grand Lodge has gone 'over-the-top,' Dr. Sarro said, "this does not mean that our efforts will stop now. We will still continue to solicit our members and friends."

In reviewing the drive in the Northwest area, Dr. Sarro said: "I felt at the outset that the membership was proud of the fact that one of their members had been elevated to the Supreme Council at the last Supreme Convention. And they expect to NORTHWEST, Page 8



WE MADE IT!

Dr. Nicholas Sarro of Seattle, right, Supreme Trustee and state chairman, points to tabulation chart showing Grand Venerable Frank Orrico, also of Seattle, that The Northwest Grand Lodge has surpassed its \$3,500 quota.

How Northwest Did It

Here is a tally by lodges of contributions collected by members of The Northwest Grand Lodge in oversubscribing its quota of \$3,500 for the National Memorial Home campaign.

Seattle Lodge	\$1,055.00
City of Roses, Portland	878.00
Tacoma Lodge	555.00
Renton Lodge	325.00
Auburn Lodge	166.00
Fedele Lodge, Seattle	138.00
Portland Lodge	115.00
Columbus Lodge, Portland	95.00
Yakima Lodge	93.00
Virtus Lodge, Tacoma	30.00
Black Diamond Lodge	29.50
Cle Elum Lodge	22.00
Total	\$3,501.50

Report From DeMartinis

Foundation Contributions

Contributions to the National Home fund totalling \$10,482 have been deposited in the Washington Home account at the Supreme Lodge office in Philadelphia, Pa.

Supreme Financial Secretary

Americo A. DeMartinis, comptroller of funds for the drive, reports that 13 of the Order's 21 Grand Lodges have turned in collections to the Supreme Lodge office.

DeMartinis estimates the total collected in the drive to date is much higher because many state chairmen have funds on hand that have yet to be turned in.

"Several Grand Lodge chairmen have made returns which have included the \$1 assessment levied for the purpose of purchasing the Home site in Washington. We have separated the two, the contribution and the assessment return, and periodic reports

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from the Supreme Lodge office will show only funds collected in the nation-wide drive," he said.

DeMartinis' report includes all contributions received by the Supreme Lodge from December 14, 1959 to June 6, 1960.

The Grand Lodge leader is The Northwest (Washington, Oregon and Idaho) with \$3,315. Dr. Nicholas Sarro of Seattle, Supreme Trustee, is state chairman.

(Editor—The Northwest Grand Lodge has since gone "over-the-top" in raising its quota of \$3,500.)



Harold Jackson, left, venerable of Seattle Lodge No. 1390 which collected \$1,055, and Dr. Sarro.

State Reports On Campaign

The National Memorial Home campaign headquarters has received reports from nine Grand Lodges charting the progress of the drive for funds in those states. Three other Grand Lodges have reported that campaigns have as yet to get underway in their respective states. Of the entire 21 Grand Lodges in the Order, nine have not filed reports or indicated if organizations have been set up for the solicitation of funds.

Here are the reports that have been filed with the Executive Secretary of the campaign committee:

Connecticut

CONNECTICUT—First Assistant Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., of New Haven, state chairman, reports the organizational work for the solicitation of funds for the Home drive is nearing completion.

Delaware — \$200

DELAWARE—Grand Venerable Americo C. DiFrancesco of Wilmington, state chairman for the Home Fund drive, reports that \$200 has been collected towards Delaware's quota of \$2000.

DiFrancesco reported the sale of a Pillar of Marble Citation and six marble blocks.

Supreme Recording Secretary Joseph A. L. Errigo, who contributed \$150 to the Sons of Italy Foundation, made the purchase of the Citation.

Purchasing a \$5 marble block each were Grand Venerable DiFrancesco, Antonio Consiglio, John Reale, Ralph DeShan, Amalia DeGonova and Tersilla Robino.

Brother DiFrancesco also reported \$1 contributions received from 20 individuals.

Florida — \$3,000

FLORIDA—Members of the Florida Order have raised "about \$3,000," according to a report received from Grand Venerable John B. Sartor of Ft. Lauderdale.

Grand Venerable Sartor made the report for State Chairman Frank Settecasi of Tampa, who is currently vacationing in Italy.

The Florida Grand Lodge quota is \$4,200.

Illinois — \$1,900

ILLINOIS—Grand Financial Secretary Antonetta Vigna of Chicago, reporting for State Chairman Paterno, stated that \$1,900 has been forwarded to the Supreme Lodge office in Philadelphia.

Golden Certificates have been

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How They Stand

First Reports in Campaign

Here is the first state-by-state report of funds sent to Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartinis by the various state chairmen in the National Memorial Home fund drive.

California	\$10.00
Delaware	\$205.00
Illinois	\$1,990.00
Indiana	\$10.00
Maryland	\$1,000.00
Massachusetts	\$295.00
New Jersey	\$31.00
New York	\$1,300.00
Ohio	\$130.00
Pennsylvania	\$505.00
Virginia	\$686.00
Washington, Oregon, Idaho	\$3,315.00
West Virginia	\$1,005.00
TOTAL	\$10,482.00

purchased by State Chairman Paterno, with a contribution of \$1,000, and Maria SS. del Ross Pozzo Lodge, \$500.

Purchasers of Pillar of Marble Citations reported: Ex-Supreme Venerable George J. Spatuzza, Chicago, \$100; Past Grand Venerable Victor N. Cardosi, Kankakee, \$100; Ragusa Lodge, \$100, and Paolo A. Longone Lodge, \$100.

Quota for Illinois is \$7,000.

Mass. — \$1,654

MASSACHUSETTS—Contributions totalling \$1,654 have been collected in the Massachusetts drive to raise its quota of \$55,000, reports State Chairman Peter A. Donadio of Dorchester.

Six Pillar of Marble Citations have been purchased by five individuals and one lodge. Donors are Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor, \$50; Grand Recording Secretary Sophie E. Gorras, Woburn \$100; Francesco DeSantis, Natick, \$100; C. Eugene Farnum, Medford, \$50; Hannah Z. Posner, Medford, \$50, and Medford Men's Lodge No. 1359, \$333.

Donadio also reported that 83 marble blocks have been issued.

New York — \$4,524

NEW YORK—Members of the New York Order have contributed \$4,524 towards its goal of \$15,000 for the Sons of Italy Foundation and Home drive.

State Chairman Bongiorno of Glen Cove reports that four Pil-

lar of Marble Citations and 98 marble blocks have been issued.

Purchasers of the Citations are Second Assistant Supreme Venerable Amedeo H. Volpe, Schenectady, \$150; Grand Venerable Carmine A. Ventiera, Brooklyn, \$100; Joseph Bologna, Schenectady, \$100, and Dante Alighieri Lodge No. 436, Oswego, \$100.

Pennsylvania — \$500

PENNSYLVANIA—Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartinis of Philadelphia, reporting for State Chairman Crisconi, announced receipt of \$500 from Brother Crisconi, purchaser of a Golden Certificate. The Pennsylvania quota is \$125,000.

Virginia — \$686

VIRGINIA—Grand Venerable Montagna has reported that \$686 of the Virginia quota of \$1,500 has been raised. All contributions have been forwarded to the Supreme Lodge in Philadelphia.

W. Virginia — \$1,000

WEST VIRGINIA—The Grand Lodge of West Virginia has raised \$1,000 of its quota of \$6,000, reports Grand Venerable Viani. The money has been forwarded to the Supreme Lodge office.

Bristol, Conn., Lodge Installs

BRISTOL, Conn.—More than 100 members and friends attended the installation of officers and buffet sponsored by Bersaglieri Lamarmora Giovani Italiani Lodge No. 567.

Officers seated were, Carmen Lodovico, venerable; Lorenzo Carrenzo, assistant venerable; Salvatore Buchiere, ex-venerable; Vito Ruggiero, orator; Patrick McCadden, financial secretary; Julius Chiarillo, recording secretary; James Battista, treasurer; Frank D'Addabbo, Joseph Mastropasqua, Anthony Cistulli, Fred Fellin and Michael DiFato, trustees; Angelo DePalma and Anthony Patroni, masters of ceremony; Vito Papapietro, sentinel.

Paul Battista has been named house chairman, and Joseph Maiale, chairman of the sick committee.

PRAISE NATIONAL HOME

A CONTRIBUTION FROM A NON-MEMBER IN PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Mr. Marcello:

With regret I must confess that I have never been a member of the Order Sons of Italy in America and yet, I am positive that its National Memorial Home at Washington will enhance by reflected glory, the progressive growth, the increasing strength, the vast cultural and political accomplishments, and the over-all contributions to the American Way of Life by every single, solitary American who possesses even one grain of our Italian Heritage.

It will bring to mind the great Americans of Italian parentage who are among the Founding Fathers of this nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all."

There is no other non-English speaking nation on the face of the globe that can equal Italy's contribution of patriots who participated in the establishment of the original thirteen colonies.

We can proudly boast of such people as:

Enrico Tonti, the "Father of Arkansas", and the explorer of the Mississippi including the Louisiana Purchase;

Alfonso Tonti, the alleged Founder of Detroit, Governor for twelve years, and whose daughter is said to be the first white child born in Detroit or in the West, for that matter;

The Tagliaferro's of Virginia, who, by marriage, were related to a signer of the Declaration of Independence, to a President of the Georgia Senate, to a member of Congress, and a Judge of the Superior Court, after the Revolutionary War;

The American patriot, Guglielmo Paca, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, who later became Chief Justice and Governor of Maryland;

Filippo Mazzei, a friend of Thomas Jefferson, wrote in the "Virginia Gazette" two years before the Declaration of Independence was ratified, "All men, by nature, are free and independent";

Major Cosimo Medici, who fought during the Revolutionary War as an officer of the North Carolina Cavalry, and scores of others.

Please excuse me for going off on a tangent. All I wanted to say is please, accept, with my best wishes, the enclosed money order for five dollars toward the Memorial Shrine and Home of the O.S.I.A. at Washington.

I hope other non-members will contribute, too.

Sincerely yours,

John J. Maiorillo
Philadelphia, Pa.

PIONEERS OF ORDER GIVE TO HOME FUND

Carissimo Fratello Marcello:

Essendo anch'io un fratello dell'Ordine Figli d'Italia e fondatore della Loggia Gorizia No. 467, Rumford, Maine, dal 1916 cioè 44 anni e diplomato del 5-grado dalla grande Loggia Supreme di New York per esser stato un fratello dei Figli D'Italia No. 1, mi sono il dovere di con rispondere al vostre appello per Sons of Italy Foundation, onde possiamo orgogliosi di avere un grande palazzo nelle capitali degli Stati Uniti d'America. Ma che grande onore per noi tutti Italiani e vorrei che tutti facessero il suo dovere per onde partare al completo il nostro programma, con tutta la mia età di 72 anni, e percepire una piccola pensione governativa vi remetto \$10, cioè \$5 per me, Gaetano L. Fioroni, e \$5 per mia moglie Rose Fioroni, che fa parte della Loggia Goriziette No. 2014 di Rumford; con tutto che siamo tutti due d'età 72 anni ricediamo di aver fatto il nostro dovere.

Solo vi chiedo caro fratello Marcello, di voler pubblicare questa mia lettera al completo all'OSIA NEWS e al Sons of Italy Magazine; ciò che ne prenderanno esempio altri fratelli dell'Ordine.

Con stima vi saluto per il vostro fratello.

Gaetano L. Fioroni
Rumford, Maine

A Friend of The Order

Priest Aids Home Campaign

The Order's campaign to raise funds for the erection of the National Memorial Home in Washington, D.C. continues to receive support from individuals interested in the work of the Order.

Typical of the letters received at the National Home Headquarters here is the following letter by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Gannon, vicar general and chancellor of the Diocese of Worcester. Monsignor Gannon, a benemeritus member of the Massachusetts Order, follows closely and supports many activities sponsored by the Sons of Italy.

Dear Mr. Marcello:

Enclosed please find a contribution of \$10 to help the National Memorial Home Drive for the Order Sons of Italy.

The wonderful good being accomplished for all Americans of Italian extraction through the Order Sons of Italy makes me very happy to be able to assist, even in this small way,



MSGR. JOHN F. GANNON

you and your zealous Committee complete this noteworthy project.

'SELLING' OUR MEMBERS

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

On a number of occasions we have called upon members of the Order to get behind a particular cause. We have done this since the inception of OSIA NEWS some 14 years ago. And we are happy to say that not once have our members failed to answer the call. We have always held a great faith in the integrity of our members. And we have always felt that the rank and file of the membership of the Order Sons of Italy in America will always respond to intelligent leadership and planning. Our members, in many instances, have shown they have a tremendous capacity for getting things done. No one can make me believe that any member in the Order is so self-centered that he will not rally to a cause that is just. But the average member—the backbone of the Order—sometimes is taken for granted.

This is because he has demonstrated time and again that he will dig down into his pockets for one cause or another. Sometimes in the haste to get things done our members are not told the whole story. It becomes axiomatic that he is expected to give and no questions asked.

Members Must Be "Sold"

We submit that such an attitude is not proper. We believe that our members are no different than others—they have to be "sold" on a project and once sold they will go the limit in their support.

Whenever we have had the occasion to call for help from our members we made it a point to put things right off the line. In the early, dark days of OSIA NEWS we made a direct plea for financial assistance from our members. We told them that the future of the national publication was at stake. It is a matter of record that our members responded generously. They made possible the continuation of OSIA NEWS until such time as the financial status of the national publication of the Order could be placed on a firmer basis.

There have been other instances where members rallied around other causes once they were told the plain, unvarnished truth about the need of such a cause.

Now the time has come for us to speak plainly about another cause—The Sons of Italy Foundation. Why is there a need for such a project? And how will it benefit the average member of the Order?

Need For Foundation

We will not seek refuge in platitudes in trying to justify the need for the Sons of Italy Foundation. We will leave that to others who deal in abstracts. We prefer in dealing with cold realities, to pointing out that all things are not black or white.



MARCELLO

We could repeat what we have said before. And that is some officials in the Order have made much of Italian culture and how to keep it alive. Somehow this important angle has been lost in the shuffle. What better way for the Order to keep alive our cultural ties with Italy than through the Sons of Italy Foundation? Such a Foundation would make it possible to sponsor a program of the exchange of students between the United States and Italy. And there are many other areas which could be explored through the Foundation.

But there is another facet which should loom large in our planning. You will be hearing more and more of this facet. You will be hearing about "images." And you will play an important role in the creation of three images—false, positive or negative.

Television Creates "False" Image

Television programs and movies have created a "false" image of men and women of Italian origin. In spite of our numerical strength a false picture has been created of every American with Italian blood in his veins. This has been because we have tried to fight fire with the most unorthodox methods. We have tried to fight back against slander and defamation of character through negative approaches. In short we have kept the light of our culture hidden too long under a bushel. It is time to take this light and display it for our American neighbors to see. By this light they will judge us. This is what is called POSITIVE action. It is not enough to talk about past glories of our people among ourselves. Nor is it enough to talk among ourselves about the many contributions we have made to the American scene. Do this and the approach can only be termed as NEGATIVE.

We must put the spotlight on ourselves so that others can see us for what we really are—substantial citizens of a great Democracy and not the false image of TV which creates the illusion that everyone of Italian origin is pre-disposed to criminal activities.

By well planned programs we show everyone the many-sided contributions of the some 20 million men and women of Italian origin who help make up the melting pot that is America.

Foundation Best Approach

The Sons of Italy Foundation, in my humble opinion, can be the best, the most logical approach of rubbing out the false image created by Hollywood and TV script writers and substituting it with the real image of our people.

The proposed National Memorial Home in Washington, D. C., will be our image. It will be there to constantly remind millions of other Americans that we are not what TV or Hollywood has pictured us to be.

And visitors to our proposed National Memorial Home will see substantial evidence of our culture in numerous exhibits of past and present accomplishments.

James Novaco, who has occupied

that office for many years, reflects personal integrity and devotion to duty in his every word and gesture. Grand Recording Secretary Louis N. Nardelli seems cut out of that rare cloth of which comes our finest secretaries. Earnest and tireless in his attention to details, he impressed me as the typical secretary who carries the main administrative burden of running the organization.

Behind these splendid officials and others whom I have not named for lack of space, stands First Assistant Supreme Venerable Ottaviano, highly respected elder statesman of the Connecticut Grand Lodge, always ready to lend a hand as friend and counselor.

The convention banquet was held in the evening and I was the principal speaker.

On Sunday morning the convention was not in session, allowing for church attendance and a meeting of the Grand Council. The afternoon session continued without intermission until well past 7 p.m. One of the highlights of this session was the eloquent appeal made by First Assistant Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., of New Haven, for start of the Washington Memorial Home.

I was favorably impressed by the manner in which the sessions were conducted and by the well-behaved conduct of the grand delegates.

Grand Venerable Chariott was in firm command of the convention proceedings. He is fair, efficient and courteous and has a knack of getting a lot of work done with a minimum of wasted time and effort.

Grand Financial Secretary

Why The Sons Of Italy Foundation Is A 'Must'

That, brothers and sisters, is in essence our "sales pitch" as to why the rank and file should give generously to making the Sons of Italy Foundation and the National Memorial Home a reality and FAST.

The quicker we get around to building our National Memorial Home in Washington, the quicker we get to putting real meaning in justifying our existence. And the quicker, too, we get to dispelling the "false images" of our people.

On the basis that we have always tried to do what is best for our beloved Order and on the basis that we have never tried to mislead our membership I am making a personal appeal for contributions to the Sons of Italy Foundation.

As Executive Secretary of the National Memorial Home Campaign will you send me your personal contribution. We believe that every member of the Order can well afford to contribute \$5.00 to this splendid cause. There are others, of course, who can give more. And there are others who at this particular time may not be in a position to give \$5.00. But no matter what the amount send it today. Show your love and faith for the Order by giving what you can.

And in giving you can feel secure that you have taken a giant step in getting rid of false images.

Please, sit down now and fill out the accompanying coupon and mail to A. Alfred Marcello, Executive Secretary, National Memorial Home Campaign, 25 Foster Street, Worcester, Mass.

Thank you.

To Executive Secretary A. Alfred Marcello:

Yes, I want to do my part in helping to build the Order's National Memorial Home in Washington, D. C., and I am enclosing

My Personal Contribution of _____

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ADDRESS _____

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LODGE NAME _____

Make Check or Money Order Payable To:

SONS OF ITALY FOUNDATION

And Mail To:

NATIONAL MEMORIAL HOME COMMITTEE

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NORTHWEST TOPS QUOTA

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pressed themselves as I toured the area speaking to groups and individuals about this campaign.

"By word of mouth and continual appeals through our Grand Lodge newspaper, Lo Svegliarino, I was able to get my message and my enthusiasm across to many of the members.

"The visit here by our National Chairman, John A. Volpe of Winchester, Mass., also played a major part in creating the interest needed in the drive.

"Our Grand Venerable, Frank Orrico of Seattle, has been most cooperative. Outstanding among the venerables were William Dippalito of Tacoma Lodge, Harold Jackson of Seattle Lodge, Mike Yellam of Renton Lodge, Louis Malnati of Auburn Lodge and Mrs. Edith Velikanje of Yakima Lodge.

"Several lodges made substantial donations. Seattle and Tacoma Lodges each gave \$500; Renton Lodge donated \$275; Auburn Lodge contributed \$100 and Fedele Lodge of Seattle gave \$50.

"Individual contributors purchasing Pillar of Marble Citations were Nick A. DiJulio of Seattle, \$100, Alfonse Giusti of Portland, \$50, both non-members; Dr. Enrico Cervi of Seattle, and I each contributed \$50.

"Black Diamond Lodge contributed the profits of a drawing at a dinner amounting to \$13.50. All other contributions were in the \$1 to \$25 category.

"As I stated previously, we are not yet through, and I have been invited to speak to some of the other organizations from whom we may get some help. Also there are other friends who have indicated a willingness to contribute, and I will be seeing them."

Husband-Wife Lawyer Team

Admitted to U. S. Supreme Court Practice

The Order Sons of Italy in America undoubtedly boasts another first, at least among members of the legal profession within the Order.

Atty. Donald D. Panarese of River Forest, Ill., and his wife, Atty. Genevieve C. Panarese, recently were admitted together to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States and the United States Court of Appeals at Washington, D.C.

fore she could be admitted to practice.

Mrs. Panarese was the only woman in the group of sixty lawyers of Italian extraction attending the swearing in ceremonies before both courts.

The husband and wife team, partners in their own law firm, are both graduates of DePaul Law School. Mrs. Panarese, who received her law degree and passed the Illinois Bar, had to wait until her 21st birthday be-



IANNUCCI

I attended the first day's afternoon session. The morning session included the opening of the convention and the appointment of committees. Assistant Grand Venerable N. Edwin Antignani, a competent and energetic young attorney, presided in the afternoon in the absence of Grand Venerable Edwin T. Chariott.

Grand Financial Secretary

They are both members of Chesrow Lodge. They have two sons, Nicholas D., II, and Donald D., Jr.

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New Jersey Inducts Lodge

BOUND BROOK, N. J.—A new lodge, composed of 68 members, has been inducted into the New Jersey Order.

Grand Venerable Francesco Palleria of Paterson presented the new charter to the Bound Brook Ladies' Lodge No. 2101 at ceremonies held in the quarters of the sponsoring Antonio Salandra Lodge No. 394.

Grand Venerable Palleria, who presided at the initiation and installation, was assisted by Antonio Ricci, ex-venerable Salandra Lodge.

Speakers included Grand Venerable Palleria, Assistant Grand Venerable Joseph Cassini of Orange, and Magistrate Charles Alfano, Grand Orator of Paterson.

Contributions from 18 lodges totalling \$180 were presented to the new lodge. Venerable Virginia Jinotti, accepting, expressed the appreciation of the members.

Venerable Dominick Buono of Salandra Lodge presented his lodge's gift of \$50 to the new lodge.

Guests included Mrs. Francesco Palleria, Grand Financial and Recording Secretary Giovanni Ricciardi of Montclair, Grand Treasurer Nicola P. Maria of Newark, Grand Trustees James Cristiano of Orange, Ernesto Castellucci of Asbury Park, Saverio Peluso of Deal and Frank Vecchione of Allenhurst; Josephine Battaglini, treasurer of the New Jersey Order's Orphans Home at Nutley, and Venerable V. Mastromenico.

A buffet was held following the ceremony of induction.

Brockton, Mass. Observance

BROCKTON, Mass.—A large gathering attended the second annual Communion breakfast sponsored by Christopher Columbus Lodge No. 216 and Anita Garibaldi Lodge No. 529.

The Rev. Fr. Angelo Bertelli, Columbus Lodge Chaplain, was celebrant at the Mass at St. Coleman's Church.

William Fidler, principal speaker at the breakfast, gave a talk on his trip to the Holy Land. Grand Trustee Louis Salvatore extended the greetings of the Grand Lodge. Gus Garcea was general chairman.

BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY

When Agostino Olmo retired after 40 years as a tram conductor in Turin, he asked the company for the present of a discarded tramcar. This he has dragged into the middle of a vineyard he owns at Asti. When tired of pruning and caring for his vines, Agostino now climbs into the car for a smoke. From the windows he can survey his grapes. That was also Candide's parting advice.



PRINCIPALS AT CONNECTICUT GRAND CONVENTION

Assistant Grand Venerable James Iannucci of Philadelphia, Pa., second from right, Supreme Deputy for Connecticut, discusses program at banquet highlighting two-day Connecticut Grand Lodge convention held in Manchester. From left to right, Grand Recording Secretary Louis N. Nardelli, Waterbury; Grand Venerable Edwin T. Chariott, South Norwalk; Supreme Deputy Iannucci, and First Assistant Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., New Haven, state chairman of the National Memorial Home fund drive.

Ashtabula, Ohio

Garibaldi Lodge Inducts 68

ASHTABULA, Ohio—Induction of a class of 68 new members climaxed a membership drive by members of Anita Garibaldi Lodge No. 722.

More than 200 members at-

tended the mass initiation held in the Ashtabula Lodge quarters.

State Sen. Anthony O. Calabrese of East Cleveland, Grand Venerable of the Ohio Order, presented merit certificates to the following membership team chairmen, Miss Marjorie Barbato, venerable; Mrs. Lucy Kotoles, Mrs. Carl DeAngelo, Mrs. Otto Rossetti, Mrs. Anthony Tullino, Mrs. Robert Cimorelli and Miss Louise Penna.

Grand Recording Secretary Gilbert Martello presented and explained the duties of the lodge officers to the new members.

Miss Elizabeth Colicchio, who served as Herald, talked on the by-laws and Constitution of the Order.

Ernest Teodosio, president of the Ohio's Order insurance program, spoke on the types of insurance available to members. He noted that the department's assets now total almost \$700,000. He presented prizes to the following winners of the insurance drive, Mrs. DeAngelo, Mrs. Nunney Varsetti, Mrs. Lawrence Kanack and Mrs. Joseph DiPiero.

Other speakers included Miss Barbato and Supreme Trustee

Anthony E. Candela, Ashtabula, state membership chairman.

The committee, Mrs. Victor Anderson, Mrs. Joseph DiGiammo and lodge officers.

Anthony E. Candela, Ashtabula, state membership chairman.

Bongiorno Honored at Glen Cove, N. Y.

GLEN COVE, N. Y.—Supreme and Grand Lodge officers and civic leaders joined with members of Glen Cove Lodge No. 1016 in honoring Andrew C. Bongiorno, out-going venerable.

A large gathering attended the banquet held at the Holiday House. Brother Bongiorno is also state chairman of the National Home fund drive.

Grand Venerable Carmine A. Ventiera of Brooklyn was principal speaker. Ventiera spoke on the current Home fund drive and the advantages to the Order of the newly created Sons of Italy Foundation.

Carmine A. Cocchiola was toastmaster.

Guests were Supreme Trustee Joseph A. Nigro, Mayor Joseph A. Suozzi, a member of the lodge; Grand Trustee Dario Ramazzotti and District Deputy Dominic Imbese.

A large delegation attended from the John Michael Marino Lodge and the Port Washington Lodge.

The committee, Joseph Salamone and John Izzo, co-chairmen; George Basile, Charles Anzalone, Joseph A. Nigro and Carmine Cocchiola.

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27 Receive 25-Year Pins

KANKAKEE, Ill.—Presentation of 25-year pins to 27 members highlighted the 25th anniversary dinner-dance sponsored by Maria Christina Di Savoia Lodge No. 1752.

Grand Venerable Humphrey W. Serritella of Chicago, who made the presentations, was a speaker at the dinner held in the Kankakee Hotel.

Other speakers included the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Emile J. Causineau, Mayor Edward P. Madison, Mrs. Charles Africano, chairman, and Mrs. John Agatone, lodge venerable.

Past Grand Venerable Victor N. Cardosi was toastmaster.

Other guests included Mrs. Serritella, Mrs. Madison and Mrs. Cardosi.

Recipients of the 25-year pins were Mrs. Africano, Mrs. Agatone, Mrs. Henry Africano, Mrs. Theresa Africano, Mrs. Perena Bar-

tot, Mrs. Joseph Ciaccio, Mrs. Sam Ciaccio, Mrs. Sam Cachilli, Mrs. James Degrugio, Mrs. Frank Giardine, Mrs. Vito Marckese, Mrs. Rose Marckese, Mrs. John Micela, Mrs. Milton Nourie, Mrs. Angela Panizzo, Mrs. Natale Patti, Mrs. Louis Provancal, Mrs. Egidio Petroni, Mrs. Lena Puccini, Mrs. Peter Raimondo, Mrs. Josephine Scime, Mrs. Nella Serafini, Mrs. Barney Setticasi, Mrs. Bernard Wieliczko, Mrs. Cardosi, Mrs. Joseph Battaglia and Mrs. Marietta Bolengo.



25-YEAR PIN FOR VENERABLE AGATONE

Mrs. John Agatone, venerable of Maria Christina DiSovoia Lodge No. 1752 of Kankakee, is presented a 25-year pin by Grand Venerable Humphrey W. Serritella of Chicago, Past Grand Venerable. Victor N. Cardosi of Kankakee, right was toastmaster.

90 Members Initiated At Woburn, Mass.

WOBURN, Mass. — A class initiation of 90 new members highlighted the installation of officers of Woburn Men's and Ladies' Lodges held at their new home, the former Shaker Glenn House.

Guests, Second Assistant Grand Venerable Madeline Miceli, Grand Recording Secretary Sophie E. Gorras, Grand Trustee Anthony Mosca, Grand Trustee Olindo A. Ventola, the Rev. Father Larner of Saint Barbara's Church and Mayor John F. Gilgun.

Boston Lodge Silver Anniversary

BOSTON — More than 300 members and friends attended the 25th anniversary banquet sponsored by Maria Montessori Lodge of Belmont, at the Hotel Fenngate.

Superior Court Judge Frank W. Tomasello was principal speaker. Others, Superior Court Judge Felix Forte, Past Supreme Venerable, who was Grand Venerable at the time the lodge was organized; Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Ex-Grand Venerable John Guarino, the Rt. Rev. Albert A. Jacobbe, Grand Chaplain; Howard D. Sharpe, Belmont Selectman; Grand Deputy Josephine Falco and Venerable Santa Robbie.



ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO CANADA HONORED AT HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Dr. Carlo de Farrariis Salzano, third from right, Italian Ambassador to Canada, was honored at a banquet sponsored by Hamilton lodges. From left to right, Mayor Lloyd D. Jackson, Angelo J. Agro, venerable of Trieste Lodge No. 4; the Rev. Fr. Charles Mascari, pastor of St. Anthony's Church; Granw Venerable Anthony Farano of Toronto; Bishop Joseph Ryan of Hamilton; Ambassador Salzano; Quinto Martini, member of Parliament, and Nicola Masi, first grand venerable of Ontario.

Cincinnatus Lodge Aids Home Fund

CINCINNATI, Ohio — More than 350 persons attended a dance sponsored by Cincinnatus Lodge No. 1191 to raise funds for the National Memorial Home drive. Ronald Panioti and Gerard DiTullio were co-chairmen.

The lodge is presently conducting a membership campaign. Venerable Frank Longano is chairman. He is being assisted by Angelo Caruso.



ONTARIO ORDER ASSISTS TUNNEL VICTIMS

Grand Venerable Anthony Farano of Toronto, center, presents check for \$500 on behalf of Ontario Grand Lodge to Joseph Piccininni, right, chairman of the Hogg's Hollow Tunnel Tragedy Fund. The donation was made to aid the families of five Italian immigrants who lost their lives in a mishap in the Toronto-tunnel. The presentation was made at a special function held at Massey Hall in Toronto. At left is Joseph Lombardi, master of ceremonies.



MASSACHUSETTS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

First scholarship awarded to a high school senior not affiliated with the Order of Italian extraction was presented to Katherine L. Doherty of St. Mary's High School in Lawrence. Attending commencement exercises where presentation was made were, left to right, Plurin Piazza, venerable of the Lawrence Lodge; Philip Brancucci, Cambridge, a member of the scholarship committee; Miss Doherty; the Very Rev. Edward J. Carney, St. Mary's High School; Ralph J. Luise, a member of the scholarship committee, and Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor.

100 Attend Dinner For Ambassador

HAMILTON, Ont. — More than 100 persons, including government, civic and religious leaders, attended a banquet honoring Italy's Ambassador to Canada, Dr. Carlo de Ferraris Salzano.

Hosts for the affair, held in observance of Ambassador Salzano's visit here, were Trieste Lodge No. 4, Roma Lodge No. 13 and Imperia Lodge No. 24.

Speakers included Dr. Salzano, Bishop Joseph Ryan of Hamilton, Grand Venerable Anthony Farano of Toronto, Deputy Quinto Martini, member of the Canadian Parliament; Councillor Joseph Lanza, Grand Trustee Louis Rannalli, Venerable Angelo Agro of Trieste Lodge and Pietro Cicchi, recording secretary of Trieste Lodge.

Atty. Joseph Macaluso was toastmaster and general chairman.

Guests were Nicola Masi, first Grand Venerable of the Ontario Order; Grand Administrative Secretary Mrs. Josephine Lavey; Italian Consul General Dr. F. DeRege; Mrs. Squigna, venerable of Roma Lodge, and Narda Borsellino, venerable of Imperia Lodge.

Italy Honors Cincinnati Member

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Vito Gramaglia, member of Cincinnatus Lodge No. 1191, was awarded the Italian Republic's Gold Star at a banquet held in his honor.

Presentation was made by Italian Consul Michael DiGirolamo.

Brother Gramaglia, operator of Pasquale's Pizza, was presented the award for the help he has given his home town in Italy for more than 20 years.

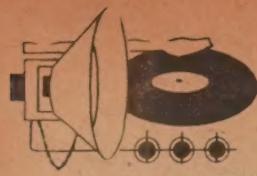
On a return trip to his home, a small village near Bari in southern Italy, in 1937, Brother Gramaglia found his people suffering from poverty and hunger.

On his return to the United States, he began to send his own personal economic aid to the village for several years. He later organized a group of interested Cincinnatians who have helped to build an orphanage in the village.

John Nassari, Lodge Founder, Passes

SKOKIE, Ill. — John Nassari, a founder of Skokie Valley Lodge No. 2046, died in St. Joseph Hospital. Memorial service held at the funeral was conducted by Grand Trustee Dominick M. Al-

berti, organizer of the lodge, and was attended by lodge members. Brother Nassari was born in Ferentino, province of Frosinone, Italy. He had served as sergeant-at-arms and had been active in lodge affairs.



RECORDS IN REVIEW

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Try if you will (and who wants to) there is no escaping the "Italian" influence of the new albums which grace the shelves of the record shops these days. There are operas, both vocal and instrumental, releases. There are those with Baroque overtones. And there are a number of new releases which capture the magnificent voices of stars both past and present.

From London comes another hand-somely mounted stereo release, **RENATA TEBALDI RECITAL**. Where Tebaldi is concerned we are a bit on the dotty side. She has not failed us once in providing enjoyable excursions in opera and her latest album is no exception.



TEBALDI

Miss Tebaldi is in fine voice and does a first-rate job with arias from three of Puccini's operas, Turnadot and Manon Lescaut and Madame Butterfly; two from Verdi's La Traviata and La Forza Del Destino; two from Boito's Mefistofele and one aria from Giordano's Andrea Chenier.

We were, especially pleased with Miss Tebaldi's singing of the haunting music of Madame Butterfly. She displays a wide vocal range in Ancora un passo or via; Un bel di vedremo and Con onor muore.

An outstanding release all around.

Another London recording **PUCCHINI ARIAS** features the Romanian soprano Virginia Zeani. There's no doubt that this young soprano has a certain freshness and flair. But this recording gave us the impression Miss Zeani needs a great deal more polishing. There are overtones of super-charged emotion. There are those who may like their opera that way, but frankly, we don't.

On the disappointing side is the Victor release **CESARE VALENTI RECITAL**. This is a recording of the famed operatic tenor's recital at Town Hall in New York. The choicest portions of the evening have been recaptured on this disc. But much of the occasion's atmosphere has been lost in the transfer to records. The sound is not of the best, which seems to be true of other recent Victor releases.

We heard both stereo and mono versions. The mono edition is a little more than passable.

The voices of two famed Italian opera singers — Beniamino and Ezio Pinza — have been memorized by Victor and Camden.

Out of the Past

The Victor recording presents a good view of Gigli's recorded art from the years 1925-30. This was at the time the great tenor's voice was in its fullest glory. An excellent job of transferring Gigli's voice from the old 78's to the modern LP's.

There are arias from La Forza Del Destino, Lucia, La Boheme and La Giocondo.

Only one bad spot in the recording and that's the Lucia scene. It just doesn't come off from a musical standpoint.

The Pinza recording is equally as good in recalling the remarkable

artistry of Ezio Pinza. The recording is called **EZIO PINZA SINGS ITALIAN SONGS**. The emphasis is on classical songs of Scarlatti, Handel, Sarti and Monteverdi.

Pinza was in his prime when he recorded these gems.

A notable addition to anyone's collection of unusual albums.

Gould Album

RCA Victor has another special which should interest the audiophile. It's the Morton Gould album featuring Beethoven's **WELLINGTON SYMPHONY** and Grofe's Grand Canyon Suite. Both on stereo and mono and at reduced prices.

Sound-wise this release is similar to a previous Morton Gould recording which highlighted the 1812 Overture. The orchestra takes full advantage of sound gimmicks and we must say that these are quite effective in the rendition of the Wellington Symphony.

We might have been impressed, too, with the Grand Canyon Suite recording on side two of this release if we hadn't heard Capitol's new album **AMERICANA**.

This Capitol disc is on the sensational side, particularly the stereo version. One gem is the recording of On the Trail from the Grand Canyon Suite. Performed by the Hollywood Bowl Symphony Orchestra with Carmen Dragon conducting the whole album is one of the best to come out of the recording hopper these days.

There are such rousers as Dixie and the Stars and Stripes. Then America, the Beautiful, the Battle Hymn of the Republic and the melodious folk song of the South, Aura Lee.

Emperor Concerto

Wilhelm Backhaus's recording of **BEETHOVEN'S EMPEROR CONCERTO** for London goes at the top of the list of recordings of this popular Beethoven concerto. The inimitable Backhaus gives a top level performance, ably supported by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra directed by Hans Schmidt-Isserstedt.

The sound is tops, too. Word comes from London that Backhaus has recorded Beethoven's 2nd Piano Concerto to complete the series. Indications are that London will release this recording coupled with Moonlight Sonata, and eventually it may issue the five concerti as a set

Baroque Music

Vanguard Records seem to have the knack of turning out the unusual in music listening. The release, **ITALIAN VIOLIN SONATAS** falls in that category. This is Baroque music at its best performed competently by Jan Tomaszow, violin and Anton Heiller, harpsichord.

Composers represented are Tartini, Marcello, Vivaldi, Vitali and Albinoni.

Good sound.

Two New Discs On Popular Side

ACCORDION TIME: Mogens Ellegaard and his Orchestra. By Vox, both stereo and mono. This is a program of light music featuring such favorites as Tico Tico, Hot Canary, Frenesi and Anderson's Sleigh Ride. Impressive performance by Ellegaard.

BIG BAND DIXIE SOUND: Ted Heath and his Band on the London label. Plenty of swing and performed with the usual Heath verve. In our book Ted Heath's best recording in many a moon. Some excellent solo work in Riverboat Shuffle. And there's the Darktown Strutters Ball, of course, which should make Dixieland fans quite happy.

Florida

Miami Lodge Observes 11th Birthday

MIAMI, Fla. — Renzo Abbondandolo, a member of the Order's National Public Relations Committee, was principal speaker at the 11th anniversary banquet sponsored by Miami Lodge No. 1995 in the Sons of Italy Building.

Abbondandolo, speaking on the Order's campaign to defend the good name of the Italian people, said:

"We have nothing to apologize to anyone . . . we are not on the defensive because we are senza macchia e senza paura."

The speaker urged the city of Miami to change the name of Bayfront Park to Cristoforo Colombo Park.

Other speakers included Venerable William Castellano and Vice Mayor George DuBriel, who said he would support the Sons of Italy's request for the change in the name of the park.

John Gintoli was toastmaster. Supreme Trustee Louis A. Fiorentino of Miami, a founder of the lodge, was a guest.

John Guastella was general chairman. He was assisted by Past Venerable Arthur DiLallo.

26 Members Inducted at Corning, N. Y.

CORNING, N.Y. — A class of 26 new members was initiated at ceremonies held by the Italian-American Women's Lodge.

New members are Miss Concetta Curreri, Miss Antoinetta Sagaria, Mrs. Myron Crispino, Mrs. Louis Ferratella, Mrs. Harold Hills, Mrs. Ralph Lesso, Mrs. Anthony Speciale, Mrs. Michael Cristofano, Mrs. Louis Ferraro, Mrs. William Fancher, Mrs. Ralph Chirico, Mrs. Angelo Sementelli, Mrs. Peter Pierri Jr., Mrs. Aldo Tobia, Mrs. Raymond Schaller, Mrs. Josephine Negri, Mrs. Edward Tarantelli, Mrs. Joseph Darcangelo, Mrs. Michael Zubaly, Mrs. Frank Astolfi, Mrs. Domenick Lisi, Mrs. Anthony Ruocco, Mrs. Anthony Tostanoski, Mrs. Patrick Capozzi and Mrs. Helen Shepherd.

Mrs. Francis Philip is venerable of the lodge.

Installation at Syracuse, N. Y.

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — Joseph Nave has been installed to a 20th term as venerable of Onesta e Lavoro Lodge and Mrs. Anthony Delvecchio has been seated venerable of Golden Jubilee Lodge.

Supreme Chaplain's Corner

From Saint To Sinner

By RT. REV. MSGR. GUIDO L. PALLOTTA

There is a Latin saying, "Qui stat caveat ne cadat," which means, "let him who stands beware lest he fall."

Leonardo da Vinci sought for several years the face of a youth that he could use as a model for the face of Christ in his famous Last Supper. One day at Mass he saw such a face. It resplended with an ethereal beauty that reflected the innocence and saintliness of the youth. Leonardo asked him his name. "I am Pietro Bandinelli," the youth replied. It is his face you see in the Last Supper representing Christ.

It took Leonardo almost ten years to complete the painting. In the meantime he was on the look-out for a model for Judas, the traitor. He had seen the faces on many men who had sunk to the lowest depths of depravity, but still he wasn't satisfied. One day, in the public square, a drunkard approached asking for a handout. This was the face Leonardo was looking for to pose for his painting of Judas. **FR. PALLOTTA** He had never seen a more horrible face reflecting as it did the worst form of depravity, self-indulgence and diabolical lust. Asking his name, Leonardo was stunned to learn that it was Pietro Bandinelli. Thus, the same youth who posed for Christ also posed for Judas in the last Supper. In ten short years—from saint to sinner.



Supreme Venerable's Message

California Convention

The following message by Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrazi was read to delegates to the 25th California Grand Convention held June 16, 17 and 18 at Klamath Falls, Oregon:

Brothers and Sisters:

In behalf of the entire membership of the Order I extend greetings to the Grand Officers and Delegates attending the 25th Grand Convention of the Grand Lodge of California.

Remember that one of the cardinal principles of our Order is "to defend and uphold the prestige of the people of Italian birth or descent in America."

The history of the Order is replete with activities by which it has demonstrated a practical application of this ideal.

In particular, during the past months, the Order has been in the forefront of a national campaign to defend the good character and reputation of our people in America.

Your Grand Lodge of California has made an enviable contribution to this noble effort under the capable leadership of its

Grand Venerable and Grand Officers.

The Order is now engaged in a fund raising drive for the Sons of Italy Foundation and for the construction of its National Home in Washington, D. C.

I appeal to the membership of the Grand Lodge of California to contribute towards this worthwhile project. The National Home will serve as a center of direction for all our national activities and as a monument symbolic of the discovery of this land by one of Italian blood. It will be in memory of the Italian migration to these shores and a reminder of the contribution to the development of America by Americans of Italian descent.

Please make your contribution now.

Let us always be ready to resist with all possible means those forces whose ultimate aim is the destruction of Christian principles.

Let us continue untiring efforts to assist our fellow-man as we once again re-dedicate our Order to the service of God and country.

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A Proposal To Revamp Order's Public Relations

Supreme Venerable Asks Support of All Grand Lodges

A complete overhauling of all public relations activities within the Order is proposed by Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi. Through the Order's National Committee on Public Relations, the Supreme Venerable has asked all Grand Lodges to re-examine present methods of dealing with public relations' matters. And he has urged that the Grand Lodge adopt modern and efficient programs to meet with today's problems.

Letters outlining the Supreme Venerable's proposal have been sent to all Grand Venerables by the Chairman of the National Committee on Public Relations.

Five-Point Plan

All Grand Venerables were asked to give serious consideration to the following five points:

1. Each Grand Lodge appoint a Public Relations Committee to consist of a chairman, vice-chairman and three others.

2. That this committee be composed of men and women of known ability and capacity to get things done. It is not enough to have a committee; it must be a "working" committee ready at all times to take action when such action is necessary.

3. Each Grand Lodge appoint an advisory committee to serve with the state committee. And this advisory committee should comprise members of the Order who are known leaders in their respective communities. Their names and their positions should be such to command the respect of other groups.

4. That each filial lodge in the Order have a committee on public relations to work with each state committee. The makeup, etc., of these "local" committees should be similar to those of the state committees.

5. That names of all members appointed to these public relations committees be sent to the Chairman of the National Committee on Public Relations as soon as possible so that we can record these names for use in public relations matters concerned with the Order.

The letters asked for quick action so that a program could be worked out from the national level to state and local levels.

The letters pointed out the Supreme Venerable's proposal was being made in the interest of better liaison and co-ordination between the various lodges and the National Committee on Public Relations.

Excerpts From Letters

Here are excerpts from the National Committee on Public Relations' letter to the Grand Venerables:

"Action as we have outlined should be taken as soon as possible. Time is of essence here because plans are under consideration to broaden the scope of the Order's National Committee on Public Relations."

"We have under consideration

In Defense of "Our Good Name"

An Assist From Riesel

We culling the following letter from Victor Riesel, the noted columnist, from our mail recently:

Dear Al:

It was good getting your letter and the memo — which I have been using as a basis for some of the speeches I've made. It has come in particularly handy these past weeks.

Let's keep in touch. Let me know when you get to New York.

Cordially,
Victor

Behind the Riesel letter is a story. Some weeks back, Riesel devoted an entire column which in essence supported the Order's stand that there is no Mafia in the United States.

A letter of thanks was sent to Riesel by the Order's National Committee on Public Relations. In reply Riesel invited Chairman Marcello to comment further on the Order's campaign "to defend the good name of the Italian people."

As a result, a lengthy memo was dispatched to Riesel. This memo explained why the Order

setting up special committees within the national framework to do specific tasks such as working with motion picture studios, television networks and the daily press.

"Also we propose to have an advisory group to serve with the national committee. We plan to have prominent members serve on this committee such as judges, congressmen, and other public officials as well as civic leaders.

"We also have under consideration the presentation of a "publicity guide" for all committees concerned with public relations in the Order.

Supreme Venerable Gorrasi has also asked me to alert all Grand Venerables to a possible national meeting sometime in the Fall of all state public relations chairmen and the National Committee on Public Relations for a full exploration of our public relations problems. The site for such a meeting could be a central point.

"Will you give this phase your consideration. Supreme Venerable Gorrasi asks that you relay your thinking on the matter of a national meeting to me, your National Chairman on Public Relations, so that a proper assessment be made as to the feeling of the need for such a meeting."

As Others See Us

Those who should know what they are talking about are of the opinion that the unfavorable stereotyping of the Jew, Irish and the Negro is fast disappearing from television and the movies. And they attribute this to well thought-out programs instituted by these groups to end that type of discrimination.

What about the stereotyping of Italians as criminals? Well, the consensus on this point is that Hollywood and television will go



VICTOR RIESEL

launched its campaign a year ago along with background material to show that high government officials had stated publicly that "no nationality group had a monopoly on crime in the United States.

Chairman Marcello's memo was also supplemented by a number of "exhibits" — letters, etc., to show the unfairness of the current trend to stereotype Italians as criminals.

right on slandering and defaming Italians as long as they can get away with it.

Witness a recent statement by Charles Winick, noted educator. In a report for The Fund for the Republic which dealt with the problem of nationality groups, Mr. Winick stated that:

No Defense Agency

"The lack of a defense agency is probably responsible for the continuation of the Italian-gangster stereotype as almost a colophon of authenticity in crime drama."

The educator, who at one time or another was associated with Massachusetts Institute of Technology, New York University and Columbia University, stressed in his report that only a concentrated effort on the part of the Italian people will eliminate the Italian stereotype from the American scene.

This is not the first time that observations have been made regarding the lack of "defense" organization by Italians to fight defamation.

The author-journalist, Harry Golden sometime ago also deplored the lack of "defense" by Italians to strike back at those who are prone to characterize Italians as hot-headed, gun-wielding criminals.

Mr. Golden has stated that Americans of Italian origin seldom complain about the stereotyping of Italians. Other groups do and as a result, television and movie producers are quick to react to these complaints.

There is, of course, an element of truth to what the Messers. Winick and Golden have to say about this problem. But we might point out that there is now a "defense" against this sort of thing and that this defense is the Order's campaign "to defend the good name of the Italian people."

Seven Receive Scholarships

SPRING VALLEY, N. Y.—A highlight of the three-day New York Grand Lodge convention held here was the granting of seven scholarships totalling \$2300.

Dr. Anthony P. Tesori, scholarship committee chairman and coordinator of field services for State University College in Cortland, made the presentations.

Miss Sylvia Maccarone of Glen Cove was the winner of the \$800 statewide award.

District recipients awarded \$250 each were, Francis Pardo, Glen Cove, and Francis Tortorella, Bronx, southern district; Miss Rose Marie Cilano, Hornell, and Frank Battisti, Endicott, western

district; Anthony Rinaldi and ville, central district.

Parents of each of the recipients are members of the Order.

A total of 17 candidates were screened by the committee. Selection was based upon College Boards, high school averages and rank in class.

Other members of the Scholarship Committee were, Andrew C. Bongiorno, Glen Cove; Sam DiBlasi, Albany; Angela Yozzo, Dobbs Ferry and Josephine Volpe, Schenectady.

41 Lodges Join Order Since January 1958

Forty-one new lodges have joined the Order since January 1958 under the accelerated expansion program.

Boston Italia Lodge No. 2098, Boston.

Augustus Lodge No. 2105, Boston.

Lawrence Girls Junior Lodge No. 113, Lawrence.

Norwood Boys Junior Lodge No. 114, Norwood.

Lawrence Boys Junior Lodge No. 115, Lawrence.

New Jersey
Nuova Italia Lodge No. 2070, Atlantic City.

New Jersey Lodge No. 2074, Newark.

Bound Brook Ladies' Lodge No. 2101, Bound Brook.

New York
Mount Vernon Lodge No. 2089, Mount Vernon.

Northeast Bronx Sons of Italy Lodge No. 2091, Bronx.

American Daughters of Sons of Italy Lodge No. 2092, Bronx.
Arturo Toscanini Lodge No. 2107, Cammack.

Pennsylvania
Unione Abruzzese Lodge No. 2078, Philadelphia.

Fontana Di Trevi Lodge No. 2079, Philadelphia.

Custodes Pacis Lodge No. 2085, Philadelphia.

Main Line Lodge No. 2086, Philadelphia.

Montecristo Lodge No. 2087, Philadelphia.

Immortale America Lodge No. 2097, Philadelphia.

Gateway Lodge No. 2102, Pittsburgh.

Frank Sinatra Lodge No. 2103, Philadelphia.

Rhode Island
Maria Flavia Calabria Lodge No. 2093, West Warwick.

West Virginia
Liberty Lodge No. 2072, Welch.

Huntington Lodge No. 2098, Huntington.

Pennsylvania Bowling Champions

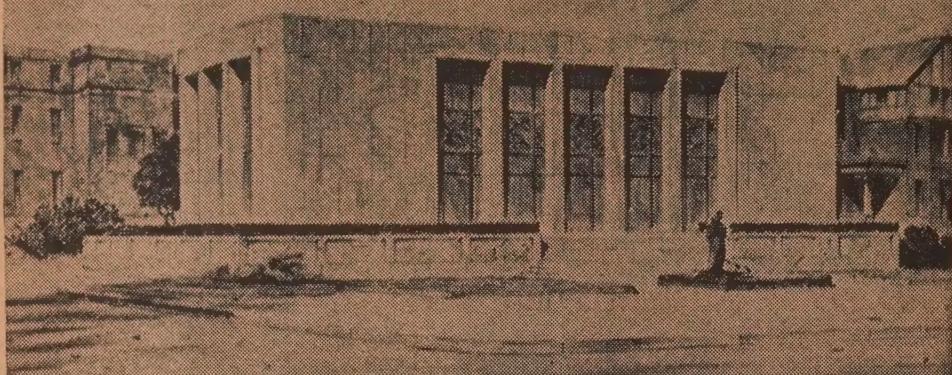
PHILADELPHIA — The Joseph Polizzi Trophy of the Sons of Italy Bowling League of Pennsylvania was presented to the Dodgers, league champions of Stephen F. Girard Lodge.

John Piergallini, manager of the Sons of Italy bowling alleys, presented the trophy to Anthony Schiavo, team captain, at the league's fifth annual banquet held in the Grand Lodge Building.

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Some Pertinent Facts About National Memorial Home

LOCATION . . . At the Junction of Massachusetts Avenue and Rhode Island Avenue, at 16th Street . . . six blocks from the White House . . . three blocks from the Statler Hotel and three blocks from the Mayflower Hotel.

PURPOSES . . . The Home will provide permanent headquarters for the Order for meetings and for a central point from which information will flow for the benefit of all members.

FACILITIES . . . The Home will be staffed with permanent employees . . . a Memorial Hall will highlight the achievements of Italians and of Americans of Italian origin. There will be offices for Supreme Lodge officials, and an auditorium. The building will be a complete self-contained unit with facilities for carrying on the affairs of the Order under one roof.

What Foundation Means to You

When the Order's National Memorial Home in Washington, D.C., is completed, it will put the spotlight on the cultural, artistic and scientific contributions of the vast legion of Americans of Italian origin to the United States.

The Sons of Italy Foundation, through its exhibits to be displayed at the Memorial Home, will commemorate and honor the great men and women who have left their mark on world civilization.

The National Memorial Home will stand as a symbol of achievement, and a constant reminder of the works and accomplishments of 'true Sons of Italy' in the arts, the professions, literature, education, religion, commerce, labor, science and industry.

Its fruition will represent the crowning achievement in the long and glorious history of our Order.

What You Can Do To Help Campaign

● Solicit your fellow-members, your friends, your neighbors.

● Get your lodge to purchase a Pillar of Marble Citation or a Golden Certificate.

● Or propose to your lodge that consideration be given to the proposal of sponsoring a Columbus Day observance and that all net proceeds be donated to the Sons of Italy Foundation.

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